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Re: Engineered Foods

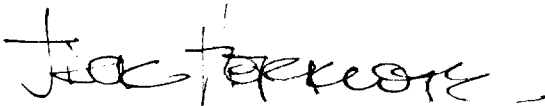
Dear Ms. Henney:

This letter is to express my concern about the genetic alterations being introduced into our crops and food supply. There could well be long-term negative consequences to human health and the ecology in general from the introduction (and ultimate proliferation and ancillary effects) of such alterations. Given the lack of over-all regulation of this recent science, I am very concerned.

At the very least, all products containing ANY such engineered substance should be so labeled that the consumer can EASILY understand that the food product is not of natural origin. At least the choice would be ours as to whether we were willing to risk the potential down-side. In addition, proper labeling would provide the medical community valuable information as to potential causes of symptoms in their patients sensitive to the altered substances.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



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